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Aircraft Flips at Stanhope Airport

Last Wednesday there was a high pressure system and flying conditions in Haliburton County were perfect. But that didn't stop a small ultra-light aircraft from flipping over on landing at the Stanhope Airport and ending up in the snow bank. Fortunately, there was little damage to the plane and according to reports from Airport Manager John Packer, there were no injuries.

As standard practice when there is an incident at the airport, Packer said that he placed a call to Nav Canada to have the runway closed. According to Packer, the Transportation Safety Board was contacted and the Ontario Provincial Police arrived on the scene to take statements on their behalf. Members of the fire department and municipal public works were also called out to assist.

Packer said, "All I can say is that the aircraft landed, it lost control, went into a snow bank and flipped over. There were no injuries and there was little damage to the aircraft which has been taken into the hanger to be worked on. The Transportation Safety Board will be dealing with the situation accordingly, but there will be no charges." According to Packer full investigations usually take place only when someone is injured or when there has been a breach of regulations.

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Ontario Health Coalition Pays Minden a Visit

By Zoe Cittern

Last Friday on March 12th the Ontario Health Coalition invited members of the public to visit Minden Arena to voice their opinions on the future of small and rural hospitals.

The Ontario Health Coalition is a network of over 400 grassroots community organisations representing virtually all areas of Ontario. Their mission statement is, "To empower the members of our constituent organisations to become actively engaged in the making of public policy on matters related to health care and healthy communities. To this end, we seek to provide to member organisations and the broader public ongoing information about their health care system and its programs and services."

The input, concerns and ideas collected from the meeting in Minden on Friday will form a report that will be delivered to the Minister of Health, Deb Matthews, and to Premier Dalton McGuinty.

The meeting room at the Minden arena was packed, with some people actually having to stand at the door due to the numbers.

Natalie Mehra, director of the Ontario Health Coalition, began the proceedings stating "services are being moved out of small towns across Ontario. The reason for the hearings is because we have seen closings of local hospitals,

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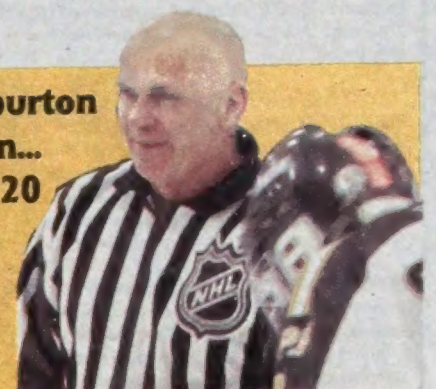
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Middleton's Lawyer Comments in the Aftermath of Huge Settlement

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

"It's a very unusual occurrence in my experience for procedural orders to not be followed." That is Sean Gosnell's impression of Algonquin Highlands' approach to settlement negotiations with the Middleton family for their 100 acre parcel expropriated to advance the municipality's plans for expansion of the Stanhope Airport.

Gosnell, who is a partner in Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG), was hired in the summer of 2007 to represent the Middleton family. Now that the negotiations have been completed and the Ontario Municipal Board file is closed, Gosnell has agreed to speak to some extent about the case.

When asked how he came to represent the Middletons, Gosnell said, "The family had done some research and spoken with people in the community. With the magic of Google and electronic searches, there is a lot of information available to those who want it."

Their plight and subsequent search led to a phone call, a follow-up meeting and finally a visit to the property which resulted in an agreement to work together. Gosnell said, "Things just followed naturally from there."

When asked what his first impression of the situation was, Gosnell said that the property itself was the most striking thing. "What they had was a beautiful part of Ontario that has wonderful character. It's not been overdeveloped and the cottages in the area are cottages in the original sense. There is a harmonious relationship between those who live and work in the area with those who are seasonal residents."

Gosnell referred to the Middleton family as a perfect example of a family who has come to the area to cottage for decades. He said, "There are good strong ties between members of the community and the Middleton property reflected that."

"I was lucky enough to walk on the acreage before it was taken from them. It had been kept in a wonderful, natural state with trails and old buildings. Their cottage property across the road was similar, showing that they lived in harmony with their natural setting."

From time to time there have been suggestions that the municipality should have simply given the property back, but Gosnell said, "By the time I got involved, the township made it clear that they were not prepared to consider any alternatives. It was presented to me and my clients as something that was non-negotiable and the only questions left were how the process would work. In other words, the township would have liked to have the property for \$200,000 and that was it. If the Middleton's weren't prepared to accept

"These are big decisions with big impacts on a person's property." (Lawyer Sean Gosnell)

that, the township made it clear that they would proceed."

From time to time, suggestions have circulated within the community that some members of Council may not have been kept fully informed. When asked for his impression on that, Gosnell said he had no objective reason to believe that was the case. What he did say was, "I certainly was extremely disappointed and so was the OMB as evidenced by Mr. Acker's ruling, with some aspects of how the matter was conducted. The Board really spoke much louder than anything I could say about how it felt about some of the things that happened during the proceedings."

According to Gosnell, as a result of the January 7th motion, the Board found that the township hadn't complied with procedural orders to deliver evidence by certain dates. "As a result, the Board ordered that interest would be payable at a rate of twelve percent from February 1st, 2010 (the date of the originally scheduled hearing) until the monies are paid. That was obviously done as a result of the township's failure to deliver the evidence in a timely fashion, resulting in the hearing being postponed."

When asked if he had similar experience with a Council that appeared to ignore the wishes of their taxpayers, Gosnell suggested that he would let others speak to that concern. What he did say was that procedural orders are very important, at least when made by the OMB. "It is a very unusual occurrence in my experience for procedural orders to not be followed in the substantial way they were in this case. People can miss deadlines by a bit and nothing is perfect, but what happened here was very unusual."

According to Gosnell the major thrust of the township's most recent argument was that material filed by the township did not contain any new evidence. "From my client's perspective it was fundamentally new and different information, and I think the Board accepted that."

In a discussion about private property owners faced with expropriations, Gosnell said, "It is a natural reaction to think to yourself that you can't fight city hall. If the government asks for something you have no practical choice. But that is not the case. People do have rights if the government wants their land. No-system is perfect, but there's a pretty good system in place to give people legal protection when a government does something like that. People need to understand the rights and alternatives they have and pursue them if they can."

When asked for his thoughts on the acquisition of further aerial easements from property owners adjacent to the airport, Gosnell was a bit perplexed about the municipality's approach. He said, "From an environmental perspective, I don't quite understand why this would be an appropriate time for the township to be pressing to obtain further easements."

"If land owners are concerned, it is entirely reasonable for them to take the view that the environmental review should be completed before they have to consider granting any easements. There are a number of possible consequences from the environmental review that could include significant changes to the nature of the project like the alignment of the runway and where it is located. It's hard to understand how it would be possible to know where the aerial easements should go at this point."

Gosnell had some words of caution for owners who have been approached by the municipality. He said, "Owners who aren't looking forward to providing easements might want to consider delaying any decisions about them until fundamental issues like the environmental review are completed."

"There are a lot of important aspects to projects like this that will affect a lot of people in the vicinity and have significant financial implications. Land owners do have legal rights and I hope that people will take the time, if they are asked to give up their rights, to investigate their options and rights thoroughly and not feel like there are no alternatives."

"These are big decisions with big impacts on a person's property."

Gosnell said he was a bit confused given the situation as it stands. "In light of the environmental review process underway, I'm surprised that there would be any continuing forward momentum on the part of the township."

Having said that, he said people were welcome to get in touch with him through his e-mail address (sgosnell@blgcanada.com) if they are concerned about expropriations. "I'd be delighted and very happy if people simply want to contact me to get a sense of how they might want to think about things."

Borden Ladner Gervais LLP is a leading national law firm focusing on business law, commercial litigation and intellectual property solutions. The company provides assistance in all legal matters from major litigation to patent registration. As part of his considerable experience Gosnell has acted in three of the leading Ontario cases involving compensation for land acquired by government.

Meanwhile, the efforts of the Maple Beech and Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners Association to fight the airport expansion project continue, and Gosnell is not the only party prepared to offer some assistance to anyone who feels that their rights are being violated as a result of it.

MBC President Paul MacInnes has told the County Voice that his association has connections to a number of top law firms in Ontario. MacInnes said, "If any member of our association, or anyone else for that matter, feels that their rights are being infringed upon as a direct result of the airport project, we stand ready to help them get in touch with the best possible legal representatives we can find to meet their situation and needs."

MacInnes suggested that his association would also be willing to coordinate groups of people working together with a single lawyer in order to meet some economies of scale. He too said, "Give us a call. We're prepared to help in any way we can." ■



NOTICE

The fourteenth Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in Minden (location to be announced).

2010/11 Membership in the HHHS Corporation is available to any individual who has been a resident* of, or who has been employed or carried on a business in, the County of Haliburton or, in the Townships formerly known as Laxton, Digby and Longford, or Bexley or Somerville of Victoria County; or Cavendish and Galway of Peterborough County for a period of at least 12 months immediately prior to the payment of an annual membership fee of ten dollars (\$10).

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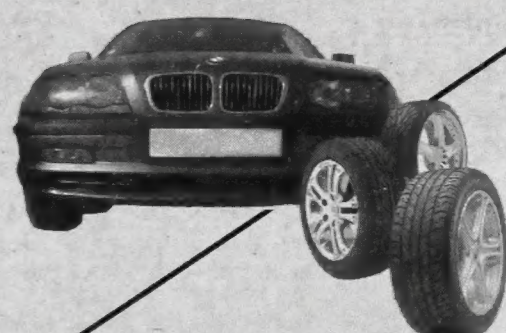
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Dominion Hotel's Awning Collapses

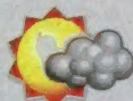
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Last week the Dominion Hotel awning collapsed, sending hundreds of pounds of ice crashing to the pavement. Luckily there were no pedestrians on the sidewalk at the time, as some of the chunks of ice must have weighed up to 80 pounds. At press time plans to replace the awning were being considered by the Hotel's ownership. ■



THURSDAY



Partly cloudy and mild

▲ 12° ▼ 2°

FRIDAY



Partly sunny and still mild

▲ 10° ▼ 2°

SATURDAY



Cloudy and cooler with a chance of showers

▲ 4° ▼ -6°

SUNDAY



Cloudy with a chance of snow

▲ 0° ▼ -7°

MONDAY



Partly sunny and chilly

▲ 1° ▼ -9°

TUESDAY



Becoming mostly cloudy

▲ 2° ▼ -8°

WEDNESDAY



Colder with morning snow showers

▲ 0° ▼ -11°

AROUND THE REGION: It will be partly cloudy and mild today. Highs will be near 12. Skies will be partly to mostly cloudy tonight with lows near 2. On Friday, it will remain mild with partly sunny skies and highs near 10. It will be colder this weekend with showers on Saturday and snow showers on Sunday. Highs will be in the single digits.

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City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk
Acapulco	32/21/pc	32/21/su	31/26/cl	Montego Bay	27/23/ts	28/23/pc	32/27/su
Antigua	31/22/su	32/23/su	31/26/su	Nassau	23/17/sh	24/17/su	31/28/sh
Barbados	31/26/su	32/26/su	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	31/22/ts	31/21/ts	33/26/cl
Bermuda	20/16/sh	21/17/sh	31/26/sh	Puerto Vallarta	31/20/su	31/20/su	29/23/su
Cancon	23/16/su	25/16/su	32/26/su	St Thomas	29/25/su	30/25/su	29/25/pc
Curacao	32/26/pc	32/25/pc	31/24/ts	St Maarten	30/25/	30/26/su	29/25/
Freeport	21/13/sh	21/14/su	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	31/21/sh	30/21/sh	31/21/ra
Georgetown	31/24/ts	31/25/ts	31/23/ts	San Juan	31/23/su	32/23/su	31/24/su
Havana	24/13/sh	25/13/su	34/24/su	San Salvador	31/19/cl	33/21/pc	32/22/su
Key West	22/16/sh	23/16/su	24/19/su	Santo Domingo	31/21/ts	31/21/ts	33/26/su
Kingston	28/23/ts	28/23/pc	33/32/su	Trinidad	34/24/pc	33/23/pc	32/27/ra

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otk
Bancroft	12/2/pc	10/2/pc	4/-6/mx	0/-7/sn	1/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	0/-1/sf
Barrie	13/2/pc	11/2/pc	6/-6/sh	1/-7/mx	1/-9/pc	3/-7/pc	1/-9/sf
Dorset	12/1/pc	10/2/pc	4/-7/mx	0/-8/sn	1/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	0/-1/sf
Haliburton	12/2/pc	10/2/pc	4/-6/mx	0/-7/sn	1/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	0/-1/sf
Huntsville	12/1/pc	10/2/pc	4/-7/mx	0/-8/sn	1/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	0/-1/sf
Kingston	13/3/pc	12/2/pc	7/-5/sh	2/-6/mx	3/-8/pc	4/-7/pc	2/-8/sf
Lindsay	13/2/pc	11/2/pc	6/-6/sh	1/-7/mx	2/-9/pc	3/-7/pc	1/-9/sf
Minden	12/2/pc	10/2/pc	4/-6/mx	0/-7/sn	1/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	0/-10/sf
Oshawa	14/4/pc	12/3/pc	7/-4/sh	2/-6/mx	3/-8/pc	4/-6/pc	2/-8/sf
Ottawa	9/1/cl	8/0/cl	3/-7/mx	2/-9/pc	2/-8/pc	2/-7/pc	0/-10/sn
Toronto	14/4/pc	12/3/pc	7/-4/sh	2/-6/mx	3/-8/pc	4/-6/pc	2/-8/sf

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otk
Calgary	4/-8/cl	7/-5/pc	7/-3/pc	10/-2/pc	9/-4/sh	6/-6/sh	8/-4/pc
Edmonton	-1/-9/sn	1/-10/pc	-4/-16/sn	-7/-18/cl	-8/-20/sn	-8/-18/sf	-7/-16/sn
Fredericton	4/-3/sf	6/-2/sf	2/-3/mx	3/-3/mx	2/-3/cl	2/-4/pc	3/-4/cl
Halifax	6/-3/cl	7/-2/cl	4/-2/sh	6/-2/sh	4/-2/sh	4/-3/pc	6/-1/pc
Montreal	7/0/cl	7/1/cl	3/-7/mx	2/-8/sn	1/-10/pc	2/-7/pc	0/-9/sn
Regina	1/-7/sf	-1/-11/cl	3/-7/sn	2/-7/cl	1/-7/sn	1/-7/sf	2/-7/cl
St. John's	2/-3/sf	2/-4/pc	1/-6/mx	3/-4/mx	1/-6/sn	0/-6/sn	0/-5/pc
Saskatoon	-2/-11/sf	-3/-11/cl	-3/-13/sn	-4/-16/cl	-4/-16/sn	-4/-16/sf	-4/-15/sn
Vancouver	10/2/su	12/3/su	10/4/su	11/6/sh	9/4/sh	10/4/cl	11/5/sh
Whitehorse	1/-10/su	2/-7/cl	-7/-12/sn	-8/-13/sn	-8/-14/sn	-8/-13/sf	-8/-13/sn
Winnipeg	2/-9/sf	-3/-14/cl	-4/-13/sn	-7/-15/sf	-4/-13/cl	-3/-13/sn	-1/-12/cl

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Sunday 3/14	4°C	2°C	1.0 mm
Saturday 3/13	10°C	3°C	0.0 mm
Friday 3/12	8°C	3°C	0.0 mm
Thursday 3/11	10°C	1°C	0.6 mm
Wednesday 3/10	9°C	-5°C	0.0 mm
Tuesday 3/9	8°C	-5°C	0.0 mm

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Fri.	7:19 a.m./7:25 p.m.	8:31 a.m./11:57 p.m.
Sat.	7:17 a.m./7:27 p.m.	9:05 a.m./none
Sun.	7:15 a.m./7:28 p.m.	9:49 a.m./1:04 a.m.
Mon.	7:14 a.m./7:29 p.m.	10:42 a.m./2:08 a.m.
Tues.	7:12 a.m./7:30 p.m.	11:47 a.m./3:04 a.m.
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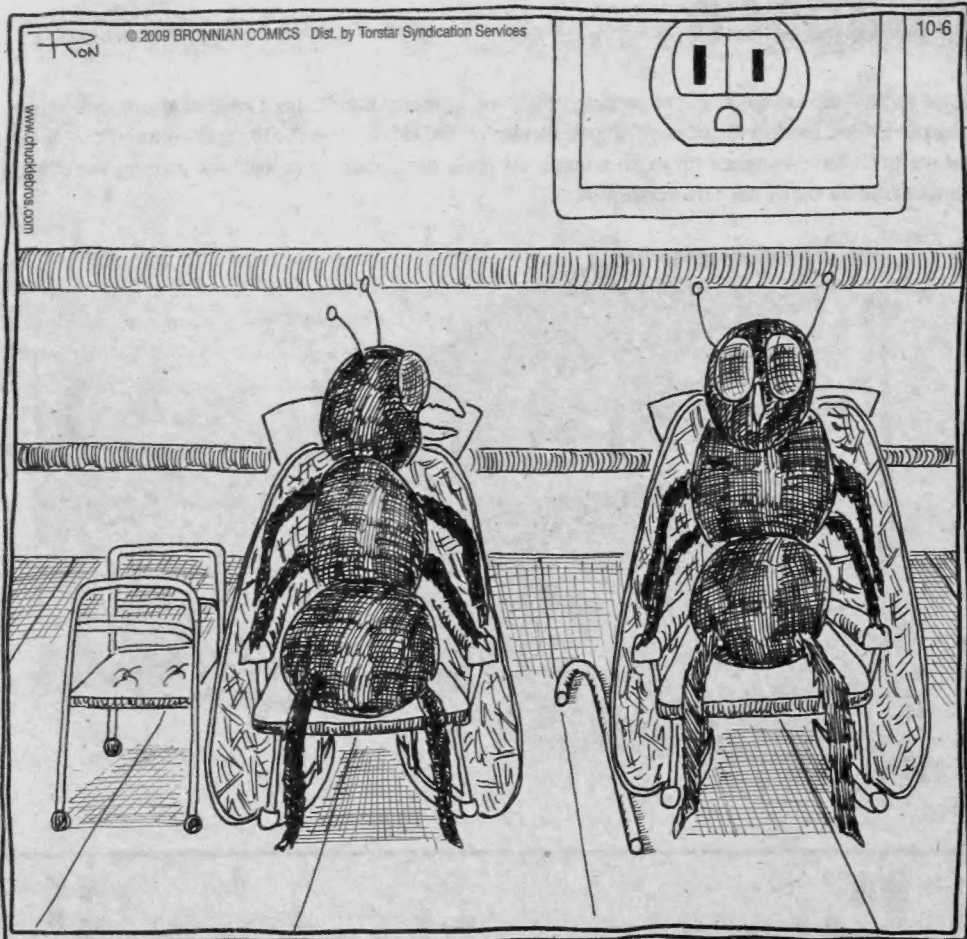
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Letter of the Week

Dear Editor:

"We want to keep what businesses we have on the main street..."

In the County voice issue of March 4, 2010 the article written by staff reporter Zeo Cittern caught my eye; good paper start to finish but we would like to comment on this article.

Mr Jack Dougan's idea of a tourist market sounds great BUT closing the main street for 11 weeks from June to the last of August is a very bad idea. When was the last time he tried to turn at the bridge from South Water Street onto Bobcaygeon Road with an ordinary truck, let alone a vehicle towing a trailer.

Hundreds of us use the main street access every day (4-5-6 times a day) to get to and from our homes and businesses and we don't need another road block: one visit to Minden main street with this type of action would surely send many elsewhere to do there browsing, shopping and visiting.

If you are going to have a market, leave the main street traffic alone and set up in an alternate location. We want to keep what businesses we have on the main street not add more competition to take the coins for the few good weeks they have. You wanted to "create a Wow factor", well you sure would have created a Woe factor for many!

If you want a business to line some pockets get some property set up and pay the taxes the same as the rest of the businesses have to do, don't set up on a public road.

I am passing these comments on not just from myself but from many others I have talked to which lead me to write this little article not to be a turkey or negative attitude but to tell the truth.

R.C. Schell ■

Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Liz Danielsen



Budget Documents Withheld

Documents Considered "Confidential"

During the course of the Minden Hills Council meeting last week, CAO Gerry Morrison made a point of advising the Council members that their draft 2010 budget documents were ready and should be picked up that day. The urgency of the recommendation seemed

unnecessary given the fact that three members of Council were not present at the meeting. In addition, it quickly became apparent that the latest draft documents would be available solely to the Council and were considered 'confidential' and therefore unavailable to the general public and the media.

Despite a totally different approach taken by all of the remaining municipalities, including the County Council where detailed draft and final budget documents are readily made available to the press, and presumably to the public for a nominal fee to cover copying costs, when members of the public and the press asked for copies in Minden Hills, they were told by Treasurer Lorrie Blanchard that the documents were confidential. Blanchard advised that she had received instructions from the CAO and Councillor Peter Oyler as Chair of the Finance Committee that the budget documents were not for public distribution.

The question of transparency has been raised in Minden Hills several times in the past, and this apparently arbitrary decision quickly raises the question once more. According to advice from Municipal Affairs advisors, while each municipality does have the right to establish their own rules about what documents are made available to the public in advance of a meeting, no one member of Council can singularly make the decision to withhold information from the public. Rather, it must be either the majority of a committee of Council (in this case the Finance Committee), Council as a whole or the head of the municipality's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy policy, which in this case is the Clerk. Interestingly enough, in Minden Hills the Clerk must also report to the CAO which has the potential to create difficult and even conflicting decisions from time to time.

In spite of the finance committee's responsibility for overseeing budget preparations each year and the last several months being a very crucial period of budget deliberations, no finance committee meetings appear to have been called by the chair for some time.

Subject to the conditions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Municipal Act requires that anyone, at all reasonable times, has the right to inspect any municipal records, under the control of the Clerk, including financial records or records about to be considered at a meeting (with the exception of those considered during a closed session.)

A public meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 22nd at 1:00 p.m. where the budget will be discussed, presumably in considerable detail. Questions from the public will be entertained after Council has had an opportunity to review the budget.

The main question at this point is how the public or the press is expected to have any meaningful questions about the budget if they aren't allowed to see the actual budget documents.

On hearing that the documents were considered confidential, a call was made by the County Voice to Reeve Jim McMahon to ask why Council had taken this particular approach. McMahon confirmed that the decision had been made by Councillor Oyler. However, when McMahon learned that inquiries were being made and that other municipalities and the County Council were providing copies of their budget documents readily to the press even prior to discussion by the Councils, he said, "You'll have a copy as soon as I can arrange it."

Hopefully taxpayers with an earnest desire to be knowledgeable about the budget, particularly candidates in the upcoming election, will be offered the same courtesy. ■



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More Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

"The fault for all of this lies squarely with the township and its consultants ..."

One of the most chilling parts of last weeks' announcement of the settlement of a land expropriation dispute in Algonquin Highlands is found in the final paragraph, "Although the Township is extremely disappointed with the outcome of this process and had hoped for a more cost effective result, the closure of this dispute means the lands are now owned by the Township and protected for the future."

In fact, there is an awful lot in that single sentence that should cause concern, but the worst is the idea that the "good news" in all of this is that the second runway project, though it seems certain not to meet funding deadlines, will continue to hang over the heads of ratepayers for years to come. It seems pretty clear in law – and by an admission from Reeve Harrison some time ago – that having expropriated the Middleton property for a specific purpose "deemed necessary" to the Township, that the land is effectively unusable for any other purpose.

The people of Algonquin Highlands do not want lands protected for airport expansion; the people of Algonquin Highlands want lands, lifestyles and personal finances protected from airport expansion. This is so clear a message that has been delivered so forcefully for so long that it is beyond comprehension that council could issue a statement that points to this "achievement" as "good news".

The township has just paid more than a million dollars to remove all value from that land, and we will now all be told that this means we must go forward so that it isn't a complete waste.

While that approach may make some of the out-going council feel better about what they have done with this "plan", the truth is that throwing more money into a hole only makes it deeper.

The fault for all of this lies squarely with the township and its consultants who, through monumental arrogance and a lack of understanding and planning have marched us, backwards, blind-folded and misinformed, into a corner they hope we can't get out of.

The only group that has been consistently left out of the discussion is the group that pays the bills: us; the customers.

The customer is (almost) always right!

Andy Muirhead

Vice President/Research Director

Maple Beech & Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners Association ■

Aircraft Flips at Stanhope Airport

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"It's Transport Canada's call," Packer said. While Packer confirmed that he hadn't been at the site when the incident happened, he suggested that the pilot had likely lost control of the aircraft.

Allan Demetrick of West Guilford is the owner of the small single engine aircraft. Demetrick insisted that he was unaware of how the incident happened. "I was not in the aircraft at the time," he said and refused to respond to any questions about who was actually flying the plane or what had happened.

Rumours abound that the pilot lost control, that crosswinds were cited as the cause of the incident and that mechanical problems were the root cause of the incident. Historical data suggests that the winds at the airport that day ranged from three to six kilometres an hour coming from the southeast and would not have been sufficient to cause the incident. While the pilot did land downwind, Packer said, "There were no great winds that day," and confirmed that there were no issues with crosswinds.

Talk among the flying community suggests that it is the responsibility of every pilot to assess the flying conditions and each and every landing situation.

"It's not much different than running into the ditch with your car," Packer said. "A lot of people end up in the ditch without really knowing why. My guess would be that the pilot simply lost control."

The OPP confirmed that there was no official incident report available.

After a short debriefing on the incident with staff on Monday, Reeve Eleanor Harrison that in the absence of Packer, who was taking a scheduled day off on Wednesday, the incident was handled as well as could be expected. Harrison said, "The 911 call was made by a local business and the response from municipal staff and fire fighters was excellent. I think they did a marvellous job of handling things." ■



\$10,500 In Fines For Contravening Endangered Species Act

Three Toronto men have been fined a total of \$10,500 for charges related to harvesting and possessing an endangered plant species on private land.

Jong Hak Lee, Joe Yeal Yu and Seong Gon Lee all pleaded guilty to possessing wild American Ginseng in contravention of the Endangered Species Act and were fined \$2,000 each. All three men also pleaded guilty to entering on posted private land in contravention of the Trespass to Property Act and were fined \$500 each. Jong Hak Lee pleaded guilty to the additional charge of taking wild American Ginseng in contravention of the Endangered Species Act and was fined \$3,000.

Court heard that on September 18, 2009, the three men were found in possession of a large number of freshly harvested wild American Ginseng plants, a protected endangered species in Ontario. Court also heard the Ginseng plants were harvested on posted private property south of Minden.

Justice of the Peace Diane Jackson heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Minden, on March 4, 2010.

To report a natural resources violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your local ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). ■

Spring Arrives in

Haliburton – Will We Pay in April?

The last three weeks Haliburton County has basked in what must be one of the longest and earliest spring thaws anyone can remember: and with the clocks moving forward last weekend it truly seems as if spring is here.

The snowmobile and ski trails are just about finished, the creeks are overflowing, the maple syrup season is almost over (and was, it seems, universally poor), and the lake ice is cracking up. But Sir Sams Ski Area is still offering good conditions, and co-owner Chris Bishop was happy to report that they will be open as usual all this March Break, and are still scheduling their annual season-ending Spring Splash for Saturday, March 27th.

No one, however, doubts that winter is really over. April often breaks your heart, just when you're thinking of summer, with bitterly cold nights and raw, windy rainy days. So enjoy the next few days, avoid the shaky lakes, and resist the temptation to rake that lawn. □

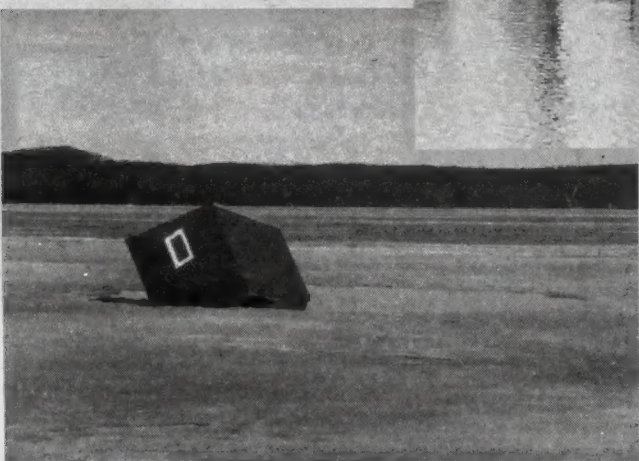
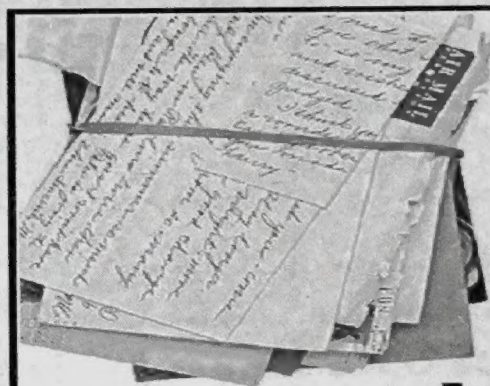


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emergency departments, shrinking of local hospital services which has meant moving out of town services such as mammography, birthing, and hospital beds which have been moved or cut entirely."

The group last spring worked with a dozen municipalities, municipal groups and several dozen local groups and held a rally at Queens Park. Several thousand people came to protest. As a result of the rally the Minister of Health announced a panel on rural and northern healthcare which would deal with the issue of cutting back services in rural hospitals.

Mehra stated, "We advocated with the ministers staff for that panel to hold public meetings. Unfortunately the minister has not agreed to hold any public consultations. The minister's panel will not meet with any municipalities, any seniors groups, any public health care advocates etc. We fear now that this is a very controlled process by the same bureaucrats at Queens Park that have created this process of moving services out of rural hospitals."

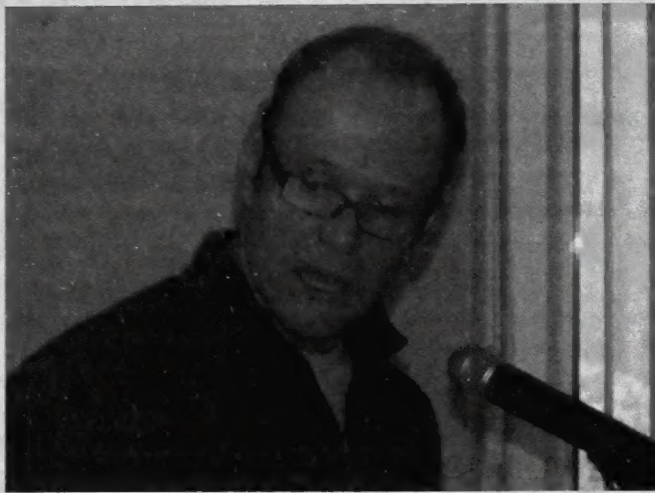
The Ontario Health Coalition decided to hold the hearings themselves. Their panel is comprised of people who have expertise within the health care system, doctors, retired nurses, members who represent every political party and who come from every geographic region of the province.

Members of the public from Haliburton County then spoke to the Ontario Health Coalition and the rest of the residents about their concerns.

Many residents were from Minden and many noted the inconvenience, transportation issues and increased worries they had when they had to drive to either Lindsay or Peterborough hospitals. The drive would be necessary when they needed services that are not available at the Minden hospital. They also praised the work of Dr. Bennett Wu, the only full time doctor in Minden for his tireless work and compassion.

Richard Smith, a pharmacist and co-owner of PharmaSave in Minden commented, "One of the intrinsic fears about loss of services centres around access and timely access. In terms of fears; driving to Lindsay or Peterborough or even Haliburton where services may not be as quick or accessible that's a real fear. Waiting lines in Minden are not as long as they are in those other hospitals. Our demographic is heavily weighted towards seniors. For the health and economic health of this county that service draws people in, it brings with it a sense of confidence and security. You come here and you know you are not far from health care. It's not easy for seniors to get to distant locations and it's critical that we voice that."

Other members of the public spoke of their frustrations with the lack of services available at the Minden Hospital.



non-medical, unsuspecting individuals were drawn into the net. To assist with the chop through a tangled web of misinformation, we lost our hospital and our beds and we were given in exchange a poorly equipped ER department and false promises. I quote from the CEO, 'a trauma unit for Minden, enhanced services for Minden' which we never got. We are now under the umbrella of the Haliburton Highlands Hospital Services. Haliburton has approximately 10 doctors, chronic beds and in-patient beds and Minden has none, just one doctor." Sonya also spoke of the unnecessary suffering of her parents due to the lack of a CAT scan machine in Minden.

More concerns were later raised about the lack of doctors in Minden and efforts to recruit doctors. Jim Mitchell, the chair of the recruitment committee of the County of Haliburton, quashed previous misconceptions that had been brought up about the rivalry between Minden and Haliburton Hospitals.

He further commented, "We've had one doctor in the past eight years who chose to go to Haliburton, we have had no other doctors come to the county in those eight years. The reason there's only been one doctor that has come through is because the doctors go where they choose to go. There is nothing that forces them to go where go aside from international medical graduates who have to serve in a designated under serviced area."

"Minden Hills is the only designated under service community in Haliburton County. The rules are currently under review by the Ministry of Health for designated under service areas. It has been proposed that the whole of the province, with the exception of Toronto and Ottawa become designated under service. This will allow in particular International Physicians to move at will around the province and I think that will probably help us to some degree."

"There are a lot of dedicated people in the healthcare system in Haliburton County who are doing an incredible job given the challenges they face and the recruitment committee is no exception." Mitchell's sentiments about the staff at the hospitals in the County were echoed at the public meeting.

Aside from discussing the state of their hospitals residents also discussed homecare in the County. One personal support worker noted, "There is not a



shortage of people to do the home care, it's the government which is withholding the hours. The hours are not available to the clients that need it. They are going to take away every resource we have, if people aren't able to go to their homes what are they going to do?" She then continued, "It's not the shortage of workers, it's the Community Care Access Centre, they are withholding the nursing and homecare hours. Even people who need nursing they are waitlisted, everybody is put on a waitlist."

In regards to the comments made by the personal support worker, a representative from the homecare workers union said, "We are finding there is an unwritten policy from the Ministry of Health to the CCAC's saying we have a 25 billion dollar deficit, no more client referrals until our budget comes down." To which the PSW said, "That's exactly it."

The report from last Friday's meeting will come out in early April. ■

Top; Richard Smith, a pharmacist and co-owner of PharmaSave voices his concerns. Middle; residents from Haliburton County gather to hear public views at the Ontario Health Coalition public meeting. Above; Natalie Mehra director of the Ontario Health Coalition speaks to residents at the Minden arena.

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Dave Bishop general manager of Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve hands Dysart Fire Chief Miles Maughan the \$11,500 cheque.

Huge Donation Given to the Dysart Fire Hall

An \$11,500 cheque was donated to the Dysart Fire Hall on Monday this week.

In late February the annual Haliburton Forest Poker Run, sponsored by the Kennisis Lake Business Association, had an amazing total of 586 participants. All of the proceeds from the entry fees were donated to the Dysart Fire Hall. In the 21 years that the poker run has been running Monday's cheque was the largest ever amount donated to a charity or organisation.

The Fire Hall is likely to spend the money on stabilising jacks to be used in car accidents: the jacks stabilise a car so the firefighters can safely attend to the passengers. ■

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Hank DeBruin Loses Three Dogs But Keeps on Mushing: But Can he Finish?

By Zoe Cittern

Fourteen mushers are currently out of the Iditarod but Haliburton's Hank DeBruin is still braving the extreme temperatures, whiteout conditions and harsh terrain. Iditarod is a dog sled race that goes from Anchorage in Alaska to the western point of Nome. Mushers trek an incredible 1,150 miles of pure wilderness with just their loyal dogs for company.

Hank, who along with his wife Tanya co-owns Winterdance, a dog sled tour company that operates out of Drag Lake has for the past 10 years nurtured his dream to compete in the race. As of press time, Hank was facing the difficult decision whether or not to continue the Iditarod.

The race began March 6th and Hank got off to a good start. We last reported that he was in 62nd place however that has all changed now after several mushers decided to leave the race. Hank started the race with 16 dogs which is the prerequisite however he has since pulled three dogs out of the race.

Tanya commented about the dog situation, "The Alaska Range demoralized the team. Strider and Ebony especially. Strider was running in lead with Lily and Ebony was right behind. When they would go off the trail, Ebony would disappear and Hank would have to pull her out of the four feet of snow. He said she just doesn't want to do it anymore. The trail was drifted over with snow and while there were markers it was blowing 40 to 50 mph winds. It was snowing so hard they couldn't always see the markers so would end up missing a corner and then the team would wallow in the snow. Between that and just running into that kind of wind Strider is very discouraged. Hank said as well that him and Pat (another musher) did most of the leading through that section which is the hardest job for a team to break trail. That is why his run times have been so slow, the team is just depressed. He is staying in McGrath to let them sleep, eat and get recharged so everyone is ready to go again. There wasn't an ounce of hesitation or question in his voice. He just said it's all part of it." In the end Hank decided to leave behind Ebony, Strider and Sapphire.

Along the journey there are several checkpoints where teams drop supplies before the race commences such as food for the musher and the dogs, dog booties, extra clothing and blankets etc. Hank's food is varied, and includes pizza, hamburgers, eggs, bacon, salmon, mashed potatoes, steak, casserole, rice etc. Tanya says that, "All left over food once the checkpoint is closed is offered to the village people to feed their dogs or for themselves. It is a small token for the efforts the villages put into helping with the race and teams."

Furthermore it is at these checkpoints where Hank would have left the dogs that he pulled from the race. Volunteers then care for the dogs and eventually they are taken by plane to Anchorage to meet up with Tanya.

All teams must declare a 24 hour rest at some point along the trek which Hank has already completed. Tanya adds, "I have heard many mushers say their team starts truly coming together after the 24 hour rest and in particular after the 300 mile mark. I'm hoping that is what Hank is experiencing too! Hank said the highs and lows in this race are extreme and fast. One minute you are on top of the world the next the world is crashing around you. Coming into McGrath he had all three dogs that he dropped off in and out of the sled. He would put two in then take one out and put another in that is why it took him so long."

One rookie musher that was taken out of the race, Pat Moon, due to him crashing in the Dalzell Gorge, a difficult portion of the race. Open water, weak ice bridges and narrow trails all provide mushers with possible nightmare situations. Moon crashed into a tree and suffered concussion: he was airlifted to Anchorage for medical treatment, and has since recovered.

Although Hank is certainly behind others in the race he still has 13 dogs in the race compared with some mushers who only have nine or ten which puts him in good standing. Tanya reports "Hank's moving great! Talked to several people on Saturday including some of the checkpoint volunteers who saw him yesterday and they said he and the team were moving beautifully and looked happy."

Haliburton is never far from Hank as he has been delivering packages in each village checkpoint to the school children there. Hank and Tanya's son, Dustyn's grade three class each picked a checkpoint and wrote letters to the Alaskan children.

On Monday more updates flooded in with Tanya stating, "Hank is speeding along the Yukon at 7.7 mph. He always says it takes five to ten miles into a run to work out the dog's stiffness and get down to the run at hand. He is running faster than almost any team out there right now."

This year the officials of the race decided to introduce cut off times for checkpoints. Mushers must be so many hours behind the leaders into each checkpoint. Although Hank has lots of time to get to these checkpoints still, Tanya explains, "It puts pressure on the back of the pack and in Hank's case has him focusing on it and going harder than he would like to at this moment. Between his sleep deprivation, disappointment that the musher behind him had pulled out of the race and feeling like the race judges were pushing him to move faster than he felt the dogs could, he was wondering if he should call it a race."

On Tuesday this week Tanya updated followers saying, "I could never make that decision for him but after going over the cut off times with him and how far ahead of them he is, he decided to feed the dogs and get a nap. I got some advice for him from mushing legend Vern Halter to not to pull out but keep going. If you are that far along the dogs can do it and you are way too far in now to throw in the towel if the dogs are good."

At press time Hank was approximately 393 miles away from completing his amazing race. Here's hoping he'll get there. ■



Kinmount Farmers' Market Looks to Expand

"It's set in a comfortable, quality location and is very scenic."

We may still be in the throes of winter, but many of the farmer's markets in the area are gearing up for the upcoming season, and the Kinmount Farmers' Market is no exception. This small specialty market could boast that it is one of the oldest markets in the area, but that doesn't mean that they aren't always looking for new full time or occasional vendors.

Local artisan Robin Simpson has recently become the association's Vice President and Communications Director. Simpson, who has always had a reputation for voicing his opinion, said, "The other organizers seemed to like my energy and enthusiasm and I was elected to the position in absentia. They're a wonderful group to work with."

Simpson fondly calls the Kinmount Market 'the grandmother of the farmers markets in the area.' The group sets up shop in the community's Austin Sawmill Heritage Park next to the historic sawmill which is in the process of being restored.

Saturday afternoon visitors coming to stock up on seasonal veggies, pickles and preserves, specialty home baking, honey to name a few edibles, along with items like hand crafted afghans and other works by area artisans, can also enjoy visiting the sawmill site or checking out the Kinmount Heritage Model Railroad & Museum or take in a flick at the historic Highlands Cinemas.

Simpson, who was a traditional sail maker in earlier years, is a man of many talents. He makes and sells knives of all sizes and shapes and recycles a lot of material in the process including old knife blades, ivory, bones, old steel, exotic woods and bits of antler. He also does a lot of leather work including beautifully crafted sheaths for his knives and a variety of bags. Simpson makes drums and traditional powder horns, but his latest fancy is making tomahawks.

According to Simpson, the setting for the market doesn't get any better. "It's very comfortable. It is a quality location and extremely scenic. It just doesn't get any better."

Simpson says that the market is one of the things that truly adds to the fabric of the community and they are very fortunate to have a number of loyal customers who return every weekend.

Simpson says that the market is looking to expand this year from their current average of about 15 fifteen vendors to 20 full time vendors. "There is some room for artisans but our constitution has a set ratio of produce producers to artisans and we have to ensure that we stick to the guidelines set out by the Ontario Farmers' Market Association."

He said, "Our season is the longest of any market in the area and runs from the May 24th weekend through to Thanksgiving." He said that it is often tough to find fresh produce so early in the season which lends that much more importance to having the appropriate mix of artisans included in the group.

It's also pretty affordable to take part given a (prepaid) fee of \$110 that covers 20 weekends. "It's the cheapest market to try out," Simpson says, which is very important given the growing number of farmers' markets in the area.

Because the cost is reasonable, he said their association encourages people to book for the whole season. Otherwise, if someone wants to give the market a try and sell their wares for a shorter time, there is a \$15 a day charge during the months of May, June or October. During the peak season of

July, August and September a fee of \$35 applies for the day and that gives the vendor a 10 x 10 foot booth to work from.

"There is as much room right now as you would like to take up," he said.

When it comes to the fees, Simpson says that the association needs to maintain a budget for advertising. He said, "We recently reduced the fees slightly for a single weekend to encourage folks to give it a try and the full season rates are great. At \$125 for the season it works out to about \$6.25 a day."

When it comes to the sale of arts and craft, Simpson did have one caution for artisans. "People who come expecting to buy veggies and fresh food products often don't bring a lot of money with them to buy higher end pieces. But the market does provide an opportunity for artisans to establish new clients who are looking for specialty items." He suggested that any artisans considering the Kinmount Market should bring a range of pieces with a range of prices.

"I've found that things prices in the \$25 to \$40 dollar range are good sellers, although occasionally a more expensive piece can sell easily. I can make several hundred dollars a day easily in pocket knives alone, but once in awhile someone will buy a knife or bag for \$150 or more."

The association would also like to encourage Buskers to come out and play in the market at no charge. Simpson said, "It's possible for them to make a bit of money and our market patrons are entertained while they shop."

The local association members also have high hopes of supporting the Austin Mill historic site project. Simpson said, "They have done an extraordinary job in fund raising for that project and we will provide a booth or even a kettle for donations for ongoing support of the project. The mill site is one of the

things that draws a lot of people to the farmers market."

Simpson says that the market is held every Saturday from 9:00 to 2:00 p.m. "It might be a bit slow early in the season or late in the fall, but we get great crowds during the summer months and has always been an opportunity to build a terrific clientele from that base."

If you'd like to join the Kinmount Farmers' Market, or have questions, give the Association President Marion Willemssen a call at 705-488-2612. ■



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County Levy to Increase by Ten Percent

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

“Council made it clear that they wanted to go as low as they could go without compromising services in any way.” (Treasurer Laura Janke)

Despite best efforts by the County Council and staff and all four municipalities, there is absolutely no doubt that ratepayers will be experiencing a substantial hike in taxes this year. During the County's Finance Committee meeting last Wednesday, March 10th Treasurer Laura Janke advised the members that after a hard look at the budget, the increase to the County's levy stood at approximately 10 percent.

While that might sound like a very tough pill to swallow, the picture is actually a bit rosier than the one presented last month when, faced with a reduction of over \$1.2 million dollars in Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding the increase to the County's levy was expected to be approximately 17 percent.

The reductions that have been achieved over the past month can be attributed largely to a decrease of over \$267,000 in the Roads Department's budget that will result in cancelling scheduled work in Eagle Lake and on the Essonville Line.

In addition, the County's contribution to the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus's broadband project in the amount of \$300,000 will be taken out of reserves rather than from the County's operating funds.

Treasurer Laura Janke commented that the process this year had been particularly difficult. Janke complimented the department heads for their diligence and efforts to ensure a number of other reductions that collectively amounted to an additional savings of \$71,000.

During the meeting Janke presented Council with two scenarios of cuts that had to be made to reduce the 2010 draft budget to reflect either a 10 or 12 percent increase. Dysart Reeve Fearrey said that the challenge was in finding a fair measure. He said, "I don't think things will be too

tight at a 10 percent increase. This would be fine if people were making a lot of money but it's a lot for people that can't pay their hydro bill and are going on welfare."

Janke asked the Committee if further cuts would be necessary, but cautioned that to go lower would mean either a cut in services or staff. The members agreed that they were content with the reductions being recommended.

Fearrey referred to an ongoing organizational review that should reflect more savings which would be important next year given an equal or even higher hit that is anticipated to take place.

CAO Jim Wilson confirmed that the County faced a further 14 percent decrease in funding in 2011. He said, "I agree that we are in tough economic times and this is not a rich County, but you must bear in mind that further reductions will have a huge impact on operations down the road. This has been created by a provincial policy decision and we will have to eat it."

So what does this mean to the average home owners? The County's portion of residential taxes will increase \$1.62 for every hundred thousand dollars in assessment or a total of \$162.00.

Janke told the County Voice, "Council made it clear that they wanted to go as low as they could go without compromising services in any way. At this point we have taken the direction of Council and have acted on it and the staff has taken great care in ensuring that they meet that goal."

It is ironic that the OMPF funding was established to assist municipalities with their social programs. The fund includes equalization measures to address challenges faced by northern and rural communities, but with the latest claw backs in funding, is now creating greater challenges that have a significant impact on a County with the province's lowest ranking of income per capita. ■

Ontario Senior Games; Sign up now

By Zoe Cittern

"We still don't have a Nordic or alpine ski team. In fact we've never had an alpine ski team before in the Ontario Senior Games even though there are lots of seniors in the community who ski locally" says Peter O'Connor, District 11 Coordinator for the Ontario Senior Games Association.

Next year the Ontario Senior Games will hit Haliburton in February with a bang and O'Connor comments "although we're hosting the games we don't have teams for all the games yet and it's a real shame. It's like Canada hosting the Olympics without bringing any teams to it!"

Although Haliburton County may not have the facilities for training for some of the events such as ten pin bowling they could still fill events such as skiing, short track speed skating and ice hockey.

In May and June this year District games will be held throughout Haliburton County and Muskoka. District 11 encompasses our entire County and Muskoka. District Games are held annually at the local level. These games are the qualification process for the Provincial Championships; Actifest and Winterfest.

One of the district games this summer, golf, which take place at Blairhampton golf course, is a huge crowd puller. O'Connor believes that "it's a big community event; kids can watch their grandparents compete for a day and it's really a large part of the community."

Along with golf, there is carpet bowls, horseshoes, euchre, bridge and cribbage amongst others to be played and battled against in the district games. O'Connor adds, "Without the District games there is no Actifest or Winterfest. These games have been going on in Haliburton for over 25 years but have never had much publicity. Many Haliburton seniors that took part 25 years ago are still taking part this year."

Actifest, the summer Ontario Senior Games, will be held this August in Oshawa over three days. Games include shuffleboard, cribbage and bridge etc.

Leaving the competitiveness side behind for a moment the games are a way for seniors to retain a healthy, and active lifestyle. Not only does it help keep the heart ticking but there's a social aspect to the games too. "It's a blast for everyone who takes part, the guys in the hockey team love going to tournaments, we're treated very well by everyone, they put us up

in hotels and we get lovely meals. They treat us like we're performing in the Olympics!" laughs O'Connor.

To compete in the games you must be 55 years or older, and according to O'Connor participants who are 80 or 90 still compete.

To sign up for the District Games you can pick up registration packs which are available at all libraries, legions, curling clubs and Henwood's Variety. Canoe FM website has a link to the registration forms online if you wish to download the form. Once participants sign the waiver and submit the forms they show up to the individual games they would like to participate in. They run from May 4th until June 15th and O'Connor advises participants should call the individual convenors for the game they wish to compete in. The registration packs include the date and list of all the games included at the District level.

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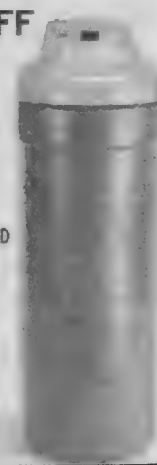
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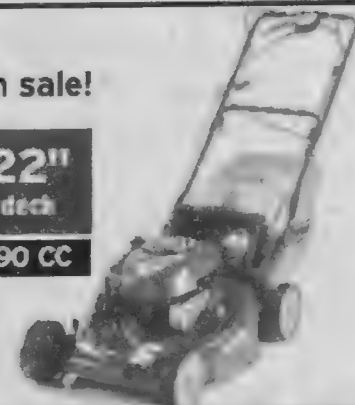
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What have you been up to this March Break? Due to the nice weather we've been having lately do you think we'll pay for it later on with lots of snow?



Emily Currell, Donald

I've been working over March Break at the Haliburton Wolf Centre; we put on puppet shows for the kids over the break period. We're having such beautiful weather at the moment it's hard to know if we'll get more snow, hopefully we'll have a nice warm spring.



Gary W. Haliburton

I've been spending quality time with my sons at home; also our family is visiting from the city so we've just been relaxing with them. I think we'll definitely get more snow, there is always snow in April and sometimes in May too, at least it'll go away though.



Jenise Crossing, Cardiff

The kids and I have been maple sapping on the weekend, other than that we've just been lounging around the house and going out for lunch! It's nice to enjoy the time off. Maybe we'll get more snow, it doesn't matter though as it'll soon go and summer is nearly around the corner.

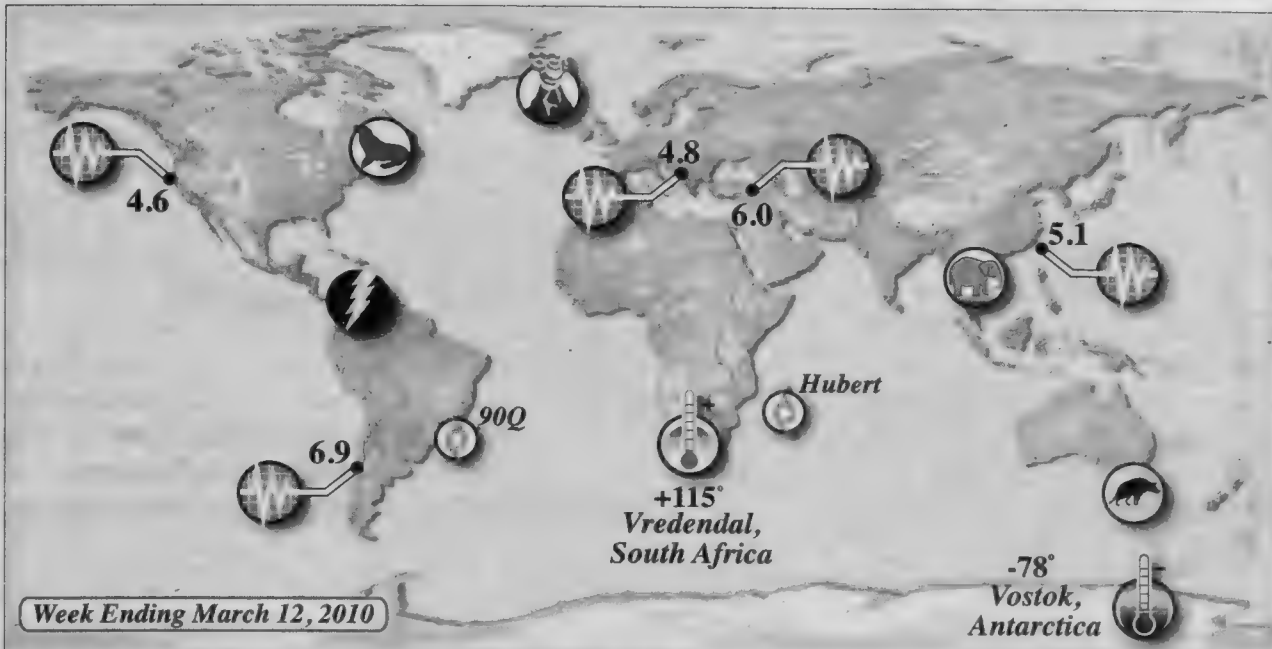


Peter Forgrave, Haliburton

Our granddaughter has been with us for the past couple of days so we've been spending time with her and we're hoping to go to the ski hill later on this week. Although it's been so warm if we go in the morning it should be ok as long as there has been freezing temperatures over night. We normally get another snow storm before spring, I'm sure we'll get more snow before then but it'll quickly go.

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Missing Lightning

Intense lightning bolts that regularly illuminate the skies over Venezuela's Lake Maracaibo have disappeared entirely for the past two months. Catatumbo lightning has occurred as far back as anyone can remember where the Catatumbo River empties into the lake. Not a single bolt has struck since late January in an area that can sometimes receive up to 20,000 bolts in a single night. The electrical discharges normally occur approximately 160 nights per year and around 10 hours per day. "This is unprecedented. In recorded history we have not had such a long stretch without lightning," Catatumbo lightning expert Erik Quiroga told the UK's *The Guardian*. Meteorologists point to the current El Niño phenomenon for both the lack of lightning and for a severe drought that has plagued Venezuela in recent months.

Devil Immunity

Australian wildlife researchers announced the discovery of a colony of Tasmanian devils that appears to have genetic immunity to a contagious and deforming cancer that has ravaged the animal's population. "We think these devils may be able to see the cancer cells as foreign and mount an immune response against them," lead researcher Kathy Belov told reporters. The ornery marsupial carnivores have spread the fast-killing cancer across many parts of Tasmania by biting each other's faces during normal, but violent sparring. Infection soon leads to grotesque facial tumors that eventually restrict the devil's ability to feed. Approximately 70 percent of the island's total devil population has already been affected. The genetically unique and immune colony offers hope that the animals won't be entirely wiped out by the devil cancer.

Ice-Free Peril

Unusually low ice coverage in Canada's Gulf of St. Lawrence is leaving mother seals with few places to deliver their pups, or to even feed them. Wildlife officials say they are taking calls from coastal residents who wonder what to do with the orphaned pups they have found beached near their homes. Residents are being told to leave the seals alone since their weakened immune systems makes them vulnerable to human pathogens that could be passed on to other threatened marine mammals. But some are also asking authorities if they can they kill the dying seals and keep the fur since they can't be treated. Canada's annual and controversial seal hunt also could be impacted this season due to the lack of sea ice.

Tropical Cyclones

A compact swirl of clouds off the southern coast of Brazil became what was only the seventh tropical or subtropical cyclone to form in the South Atlantic basin in recorded history. Dubbed "Invest 90Q" by tropical weather monitors, the subtropical feature was producing winds of up to 40 mph about 150 miles offshore.

• Cyclone Hubert brought storm-force winds and heavy rainfall to a broad swath of Madagascar as it moved ashore from the western Indian Ocean.

Earthquakes

A pre-dawn earthquake in east-central Turkey killed 51 people in homes that collapsed while many of the victims were still in bed. The 6.0 magnitude jolt knocked down traditional stone and mud-brick homes as well as minarets in at least six villages.

• Earth movements were also felt in the Chile aftershock zone, Serbia, Taiwan and northwestern California.

Icelandic Unrest

Thousands of minor tremors in less than a week rumbled beneath an Icelandic volcano covered by a picturesque glacier. The Icelandic Meteorological Office said that the shaking felt in communities near Eyjafjallajökull glacier was due to magma flowing "at full speed" into the volcano. Eyjafjallajökull last erupted in 1821-1823, and previously in 1612. In 1994 and 1999 a series of tremors was detected in the area — believed to have been caused by magma intrusion deep inside the volcano. The Civil Protection Department was maintaining an alert for the mountain due to the unrest.

Twin Tuskers

The world's first ever male twin elephants known to have been born were welcomed by a cheering crowd in Thailand's northeastern province of Surin, according to *The Nation*. A veterinarian at Surin Elephant Hospital told the paper the twins were strong and each weighed 155 to 175 pounds. The unnamed male pachyderms are the second set of twins for Thailand. In August 1993, a set of females named Phang Jum and Phang Jim were born 15 minutes apart under a bridge crossing in Kanchanaburi province. Such twin births are rare and exceedingly dangerous for the mother's health, according to zoo officials. The owner of the mother of the twin males has been urged to provide supplemental nutrition to ensure she can provide enough milk for the twins. There were about 100,000 elephants in what is now Thailand a century ago. Their numbers have since fallen to less than 4,000, with most now working in the tourism industry.

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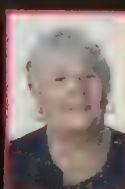


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12 Mile Lake - \$499,900

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Vacant Lot - Sandford Court - \$59,900

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Kennisis Lake - \$479,000

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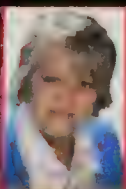


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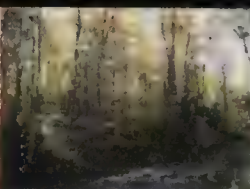


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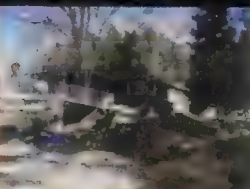


Buckskin Lake - \$259,900

Extensively renovated cottage with 188' frontage on a spring fed lake. The cottage features; a wall of south facing windows in the cathedral-ceilinged large family room, 2 bdrms., woodstove in the pine accented living room, new roof, siding and windows. All of this on a beautiful natural lot with 1900's of acres of crown land behind.



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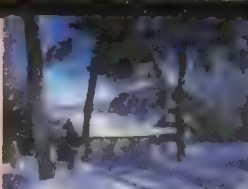


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Horseshoe Lake Deeded Access - \$295,000

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Minden Hills Labels Budget Docs "Confidential"

Under the orders of Minden Hills CAO Gerry Morrison and Councillor Peter Oyler the Minden Hills Draft 2010 Budget Documents were labelled "Confidential", thereby denying access to them by the public and the media.

However, a public meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 22nd, at 1:00 pm: the public will presumably have access to the documents at that meeting, since Council is prepared to answer questions.

For further commentary, please see this week's Voice Editorial Viewpoint on Page Four.

Earth Day to be Celebrated in Minden Hills

This year Haliburton County's Earth Day Family Festival will be celebrated in Minden Hills. On April 24th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. residents will be treated to music, stories, drumming and art exhibitions, workshops, eco-kids games, Green Family Tips and much more.

The festival, sponsored by the Gaia Centre for Eco-spirituality, R. D. Lawrence Place, the Kinark Outdoor Centre, Bark lake Leadership Centre, the YWCA and Environment Haliburton will be held at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

Carol Kilby, the Executive Director of the Gaia Centre and Marcie Mandel attended the Council meeting last week to extend an invitation to Council to participate in the event and raise the Earth Day flag.

Mandel said, "Our aim is to put Haliburton County on the 'Earth Day' map." According to Mandel this will be the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day and the 20th anniversary of Earth Day Canada. Over six million Canadians participate in this special day with over a billion people from over 170 countries overall.

Mandel told Council that the sponsors would be promoting active communities, a healthy environment and healthy families. She said, "There will be a rich gathering of experiences and educational teachers, outdoor leadership that will be a showcase for local business." Mandel said that the theme for this year's event was 'waste matters' in the hope of continuing to promote the values of each of the municipalities across the county.

Kilby and Mandel mentioned the cost of hanging a banner over the bridge in Minden. They asked, not only that Council participate in the opening and closing ceremonies and for the Reeve to pass the flag on from Minden to another municipality in the county for next year's event, but to consider a donation in kind to assist in hanging the banner. Mandel also asked if the municipality could assist in providing hazardous waste drop off points, but staff confirmed that this would require provisional approval from the Ministry of Environment as the handling of hazardous waste is controlled by a Certificate of Approval.

Councillor Barbara Reid applauded the efforts going into the event and asked if a 'lights out' or 'starry nights-earth hour' link could be included on the Earth Day Canada website. She said, "We would appreciate any traction that action might generate." Kilby agreed that it was a good suggestion.

Kilby commented that the initiative had started in Haliburton without a lot of deep thought and had been called the Earth Day Family Festival. She said that one of the members had invited the festival to Minden and it had evolved into a shared county wide initiative.

Easter Bunny to Close Main Street

The Easter Bunny, with a lot of help from the Community Services Department and CUPE Local 4286, will be holding a special Easter Egg hunt this year for Minden Hills' children.

Council reviewed a request that the main street be closed to parking from the Newcastle Street intersection to the Water Street intersection from noon to 3:00 p.m. and the same section of Bobcaygeon Road be closed entirely to traffic from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 4th. While welcomed as a family friendly initiative questions were raised by Council on the impact the closure would have on local business and how many requests like this would be entertained each year before it became a hardship. Community Services Director Rick Cox assured Council that the event was supported by local business and the request was granted.

Children of all ages will be welcome.

Fuel Oil Prices Under Scrutiny

At the Minden Hills Council meeting in late February Councillors were issued a memorandum from the Treasurer on the merits of being included in a county wide fuel oil tender through the County of Haliburton. The memo recommended a standalone Minden Hills tender that, while at a higher price, would mean that fuel would be purchased from local vendors.

Councillor Barbara Reid questioned why the matter had not been brought to Council for discussion, given a saving of approximately \$2500 if the fuel was purchased through the County. The Treasurer agreed to ensure that the matter was on the agenda for the March 11th agenda for Council's consideration.

During the meeting last week Reid said, "It struck me as unusual that this would be decided without Council input and it isn't clear why we would not buy fuel through the County and make these savings."

CAO Gerry Morrison reported that he had since had an opportunity to discuss the tender further with the Treasurer and it would now be her recommendation that the municipality tender in conjunction with the county as she had identified even greater savings than initially reported.

Morrison pointed out one political concern in making the decision; that the supplier would most likely not be from Minden Hills and could in fact be out of the County as well. "But that's your call," he said.

Reid recommended that Council follow the staff's 'revised' recommendation and go with the County and Council concurred.

Increased Fees Approved.

Chief Building Official Ken Jones has made a recommendation to Council that will discourage building permit holders from failing to request final inspections resulting in a closure of their file.

Jones reported that at the present time there are over 1100 open building permit files dating back to before 2005. Should permit holders neglect to contact the municipality to arrange for a final inspection or to review their permits, the files will now be considered inactive and removed from the building permit file system. If the file has to be reactivated for any reason a new fee will apply. In addition, if a property owner is found to be building without a permit a new administrative fee will apply.

Recognizing the increased cost to administer permits, demolition fees, fees to construct tents over 60 square metres, to transfer existing permits, building permit fees, plumbing permits and permit renewal fees have all increased. In addition a new \$300 permit re-activation fee has been established.

Planning fees have also been increased. In a report to Council, Jones advised that a survey of other municipalities' planning application fees had been conducted and he recommended that the fees for planning applications be increased to better reflect the actual cost of processing and finalizing applications.

Jones also proposed changing the administration fees and that pre-consultation fees for severances be increased and charged at the pre-consultation stage when the majority of work by municipal staff is required. Fees for shore road allowance occupation and minor variances have also been increased and all form part of the 2010 draft planning budget.

New fees and charges will also apply for Community Services. Without going into detail, a number of changes have been made to the schedule for parks fees. According to Rick Cox, the changes have been made to provide more flexibility when it comes to the fairgrounds and ball diamonds. While there are no changes for regular season ice rates a new 'out of area and for-profit surcharge of 15 percent has been instituted. There has also been a new bottle corkage fee established at \$8.00 per bottle. ■

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A Wild Night with Wild Game

Zoe Cittern
Staff Reporter

Over 200 lbs of meat, 110 lbs of potatoes and many hours over a hot stove later the cooking was finally complete for the annual dinner for the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association. Members flocked to the Haliburton Legion last Saturday to eat some tasty treats.

However the treats weren't the usual kind you would find on your local supermarket shelves. Bear, boar, venison, moose, elk, buffalo and beaver were all dished up to diners at the wild game dinner.

The meat was donated from locals across the county and from hunting camps which included a 14lb buffalo roast and black bear meat caught straight from our own back yard. Arctic char and rainbow trout also complimented the diverse menu.

Dan Johnson, director and fundraiser chair for the HHOA has been hunting for 30 years. He says he enjoys "the social aspect of the annual game dinner. Gathering the food for the event is very labour intensive but it's good for the club and people are happy that we do it on a regular basis. It's something different for them to do. We all have a laugh in the kitchen preparing the food and there are so many people who help out on the night and beforehand."

Johnson himself donated an 11 point buck and a bull moose that along with his brother they had harvested together.

While some of the meat selections may seem primitive to some, Johnson comments "Maybe they've had a bad experience trying game meat before or they don't want to eat an animal that they've seen walking around. I love seeing animals but it's good to have a healthy harvest. If you are going to hunt these animals I don't think you should waste anything, you might as well try it."

Since I had already stepped one foot in the kitchen door I figured I may as well do what Dan said, try the meat. Obviously I didn't want to be a rude guest and I'm always up for a challenge. Staring before me was a thin slice taken off a black bear roast. Trying not to envision cute and cuddly teddy bears frolicking in the woods I gingerly picked up a fork to sample the meat.

Closing my eyes and tenderly eating a minute morsel, I didn't want to be wasting anything of course, what I did sample tasted very similar to beef. Many of the volunteer cooks also likened bear meat

to a beef roast. It was tender and not grisly in the slightest I just couldn't wrap my head around the fact I was eating a bear. Bears that you may end up seeing once or twice in a summer period if you're lucky, I just had to remember that these are wild animals and supermarket meat used to be running around happily too. I next tried Moose, again it had a similar texture and taste though the aftertaste was slightly tangy.

Most of the game meat was cooked as roasts along with ground venison meat balls and some game sausages. Johnson explained that "the meat is very versatile so it can be created into cuts just the same as regular meat."

The dinner fundraising event has been running for approximately 15 years and around 30 or so volunteers dedicated their time to preparing the feast and the evening festivities.

One member of the HHOA, Liz Cowen, had prepared a special treat for the members, squirrel. Likening it to pork in taste, laughing she said, "It was just a little surprise for everyone.

No-one really eats squirrel these days but it's actually very good." She cooked it with dressing and it was baked in the oven, luckily there was only one squirrel to go around so I decided not to try it. Liz hunts moose, deer, rabbit and bears in her spare time.

The silent auction was in aid of the HHOA to help with operating expenses: the association relies on donations, raffles and events like the wild game dinner. Over 200 tickets were sold for Saturday evening's event. In the past on one occasion they raised \$11,000. Wooden and knitted crafts, wildlife art, a shotgun and gift certificates were some of the items available to bid on Saturday night. ■



Liz Cowen helps with the preparation for the wild game dinner



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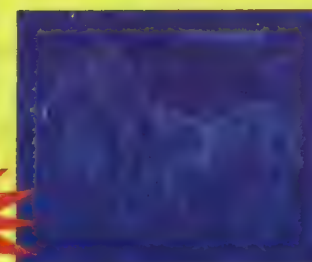


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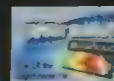
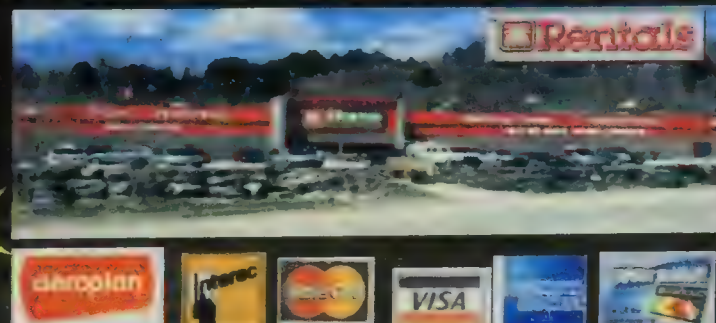


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Highland Storm Atom A's Still in Championship Hunt

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First Two Games Split: Next Game in Minden Saturday

The Highland Storm Atom A's started their All-Ontario final series against the Harrow Rams this past weekend. After a short power outage (obviously from the Highland storm presence in Harrow) the boys came out strong in game one but came up short with a 4-3 loss. Highland storm goals were scored by Chase Burden with two and Owen Smith with one.

The Storm blew into Harrow again on Sunday and did some damage with a 3-1 victory. Highland storm goals were scored by Matt Wilbee (one) and two by Chris Thompson. Strong defence by the boys and incredible goaltending by Josh Bellefleur made for a spectacular ending.

Highland Storm Atom A's next game is Saturday night in Minden at 7pm and again Sunday 2:30pm in Haliburton. Come out and cheer on your Highland Storm team.

We would also like to thank our community for the donations that were given to the boys towards their run for the All-Ontario Championship.

Monica Keefer ■



"Let's go home, boy. Ain't no ducks today."

Highland Storm Atom AEs Split Series: Play in Minden Saturday

The Highland Storm Atom AEs arrived in London along with high winds and rain to start their playoff series with Ilderton on Saturday March 13. The first game was at Ilderton arena at 7pm, the same one Moir and Virtue practiced at. OMHA finalist are to have meet and greets with the visiting team and supply them with a meal, ours was pre-game, and it was nice to meet our friendly opponents.

We enjoyed a meal of pizza, fresh fruits, veggies, dips and meatballs. All the boys received a gift bag with assorted goodies and with each game played they supplied a cooler full of Gatorade. Difficult to have such nice opponents. They also made sure we were ok at our hotel and did not need anything. We will return the favour this weekend when they come to Minden Saturday, our meet and greet will be after the game because of the time. The Ilderton Jets are a team exactly like ours, 10 players, mostly first year Atoms and a goalie.

The first game went well with the Storm grounding the Jets with a win of 5-3. Two goals apiece going to Greg Crofts and Owen Smith, and one to Jake Bull. Assists going to Trevor Turner, Alex Wilbee, Owen Smith, Carter O'Neill, Jack Dobie, and Devyn Prentice. With great support and playing from Jacob Haedicke, Ryan Prentice and our goalie Anthony Bertucca.

The next game Sunday at 130 pm proved our boys were suffering from "jet lag" (I know, please don't groan at the play on words). Even though the win went to the Jets and our boys just weren't

playing with the same gusto the score was only 1-0. Our next games are at home Saturday March 20 in Minden at 530pm and the Sunday in Haliburton at 12:30pm. Please come out and show these boys some home town support next weekend.

Karena Crofts, manager
Highland Storm Atom AE ■



A Small Town with a Small Team Wins Gold

Back row: Sheila Barnes, trainer
Middle row left to right: Mike Marshall, coach, Mike Dack, Braedin McConnell, Blake Aylsworth, Zachary Aylsworth, Taylor Albert, Jake Ruddell, Stan Riley
Front: Robbie Lewis

Submitted by Charlene McConnell

It wasn't the Olympics but it may as well have been for the Wilberforce Rockets Senior Hockey Team who captured gold medals in a 3-1 finish against Canadian Tire in Bancroft a week ago Saturday. It's been an amazing year for the eight local boys who under the inspired coaching of Mike Marshall had an amazing record of 14 wins, 1 tie and 3 losses during the regular season. With an awesome goalie, Robbie Lewis who had six shutouts this year and at the best times only two extras on the bench these boys had a tremendous amount of ice time and worked hard all season to qualify for the championship game.

During one playoff game the team was down to one goalie and five players. With an abundance of heart and enthusiasm they rallied together and somehow came out on top winning the game. In the playoff round they continued their terrific record with 5 wins, 1 tie and 2 losses. It's unbelievable that such a small group of guys came together, worked hard and achieved what they set out to do - be the very best that they could be. Big congratulations to the Senior Wilberforce Rockets. Congratulations to the Junior Wilberforce Rockets Hockey Team who also won gold on Saturday with a 3-1 win. ■

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Walker and Team Canada are Coming Home with Bronze

Sure, everyone wants gold, but being third best in the whole world is a monumental accomplishment.

Team Canada, skipped by local curler, Jake Walker, defeated China 7-1 in eight ends last Sunday to secure the bronze medal in the men's World Junior Championship bonspiel held in Flims, Switzerland.

The Scots and Swiss rinks played off for the gold and silver in a game that was tied 6-6 going into the tenth end. In front of an ecstatic home crowd, Team Switzerland eventually prevailed by stealing one in the final end to win top honours in the men's division. Canada's junior women will bring home silver, having lost to Sweden in the gold medal game.

Walker commented on the curling.ca website, "Our goal coming into this was to make the playoffs. Winning bronze is good for us, we'd like to win gold but this is a good alternative." He added, "We were told coming into this to expect the same competition as we had at nationals and that's what we got." You can check out the final games at <http://www.worldcurling.org/world-junior-championships-junior-men-final-medal-games>.

Jake's Minden family and friends were thrilled at his successes on the world stage.

On Tuesday, this week, Jake told the Voice, "It was great having my family there. My mom, dad, two brothers, MJ and Krista all came and I loved it. It's great to have the support of my family behind me and all together at once."

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting me back home and everyone who signed my '2010 World Juniors' Canada flag. We displayed it proudly in the arena.

It felt really good to beat China in the Bronze Medal final. Because we lost to them in the round robin, we really wanted to get that win back, and we certainly did, beating them 7-1 in 8 ends. It was a game of execution. Everyone played over 80 percent. It also helped that I played 95 percent. It was also a game of strategy. We had been playing it pretty conservatively all week, but when we played China, we decided to go at them hard right from the first end because that was their weakness, and it worked wonders. We stole the first four ends, forced one in the 6th after a blank and then took two back. It was a textbook game." ■



NHL Dignitaries Congregate in Haliburton

By Zoe Cittern

It was the second annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament this past weekend to raise money for Community Care. Community Care has been helping residents in Haliburton County for over 26 years. It helps seniors and adults with illnesses and/or disabilities and their caregivers.

The original six sweater collection, NHL trophies and some famous NHL players and on-ice officials rolled into town to show their support for the organisation. On Friday afternoon, former NHL Toronto Maple Leafs player Ron Ellis, keeper of the Stanley Cup Phil Pritchard, retired linesman Ray Scapinello and former NHL player Mark Napier all came out to greet fans at the Haliburton Legion. Pictures were taken with trophies including the Art Ross, the Vezina, Hart Memorial and Calder Memorial.

Although retired, linesman Ray Scapinello claims he still doesn't support one single team. Laughing, he told the Voice, "Even when I started playing at the age of 22 I didn't have a specific team that I followed. I liked everybody. As a referee you had to be completely neutral." Even with subtle bribes Scapinello still refused to admit if he was partial to one team over the other, "Honestly I'm not, I watch every single hockey game out there and I don't root for anyone over the other."

The retired official did however shed light on his thoughts regarding the new rule that will come into effect in the next hockey season. There will now be major penalties for players who purposely aim for their opponents head from their blind side. Scapinello said "Hockey is a very emotional sport and personally I don't want to see fighting taken out of hockey. It's certainly something that doesn't happen in every match you watch. However players need to give each other much more respect. There should be a mutual respect that you don't hit your opponent when he's defenceless."

Does Scapinello think fighting in hockey has become worse over the years? "There is no where near the amount of fighting that happened in the 1970s. It was mayhem back then, all of the players would come off the benches and start fighting. Now there are much stricter rules and fights are isolated. However there is so much more money at stake nowadays. The idea of personal wellbeing has been lost and how they get that back, who knows?"

Ron Ellis who played for the Maple Leafs for 16 seasons, participated in Team Canada in 1972 and was on the last Toronto Maple Leafs Stanley Cup winning team says he's a little touchy about that statement. "I was fortunate to play when we won but I don't want to hear that 1967 was the last time we won, we need to change that!"

So what does Ellis think of the current losing streak of the Leafs? "Leafs fans are pretty patient. The last two games we won were in overtime and we were having trouble with scoring in overtime so that's a good sign. We now have a lot of hungry young players so that's a positive thing and soon we'll have room to bring in more players. It would be great if we could at least try and make the play offs soon but we're not going to do that this year."

Ellis also spoke to the Voice regarding the new fighting penalty, "When I first started playing hockey we didn't even wear helmets and we respected each other. We knew a blow to the head could signal the end of a career. It seems now there is less respect, I'm glad they've addressed it. I hate when I see players pass out cold on the ice and

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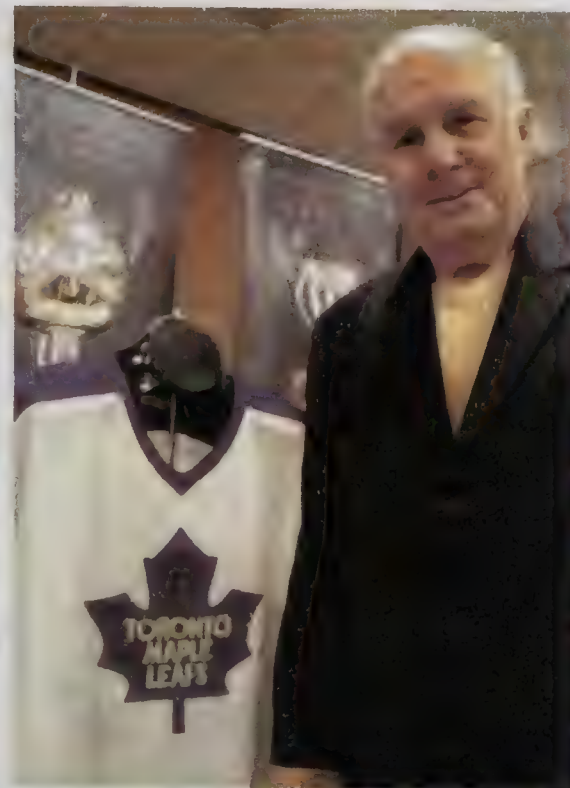
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Scotty Morrison Tournament

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Above: original six sweaters: Ray Scapinello back in uniform; former Leaf Ron Ellis: right "Scampy" poses with a trophy; members of the World Champion Amputee Team; bottom right: Scapinello, Scotty Morrison, Ellis, Mark Napier and Phil Pritchard welcome the crowd.



wonder if they're going to be alright. However I don't think the rule will be one that will be easy to enforce, there will have to be some discretion on the referee's part."

Ellis continued by saying "I wasn't a fighter and it certainly wasn't how I stayed in all those seasons playing for the Leafs. However hockey is a contact sport and tempers flare, fights are going to happen. I would like the NHL to look at International Rules, where when players initiate fighting they aren't allowed back on the ice."

You won't find Ellis shooting any pucks any time soon however he does still coach hockey. He adds "I don't miss the travelling or the playing so much; it's the comradeship and the friendships that you develop for life that you miss." And Ellis unlike Scapinello is 100 percent sure of which team he supports, "I played over 1000 games for the Leafs I'll always support them!"

Later that evening over 100 guests dined at the Haliburton Curling Club, along with Morrison and his NHL friends. The four course dinner was catered and served by Rhubarb Restaurant. A silent auction was held that night with items such as the Canadian Women's Hockey Team Gold medalist's sweater and two items signed from Matt Duchene amongst others.

On Saturday evening the O.P.P. played against the four time World Champion Canadian National Amputee Team which resulted in a tie. Other hockey games were also played throughout the course of the weekend. 100 percent of the proceeds went to Community Care. At time of going to press the total amount of funds raised was not available but Hilary Elia, resource development co-ordinator at Community Care, said "we hope to exceed the funds raised from last year which were \$17,000. The entire weekend was incredibly successful and people were generously bidding on the silent auction items." ■



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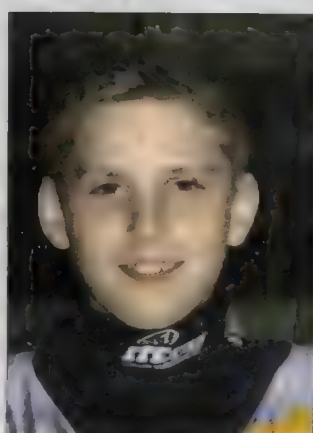
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Back row from left; Group member Jean Gallately, Nancy Brownsberger social marketer from SIRCH, Nancy McLuskey president of the Eagle Lake Women's Group, group member Ellenor Bagg. Front row; Group members Su Taylor and Karin Nolan.

Women's Group Donates to SIRCH

By Zoe Citterm

Members of the Eagle Lake Women's Group presented a \$200 cheque to SIRCH on Monday this week. SIRCH is a non-profit, charitable organisation which provides community based direct services. Along with other programs they run Community Action Programs for Children and Canada Prenatal Nutrition Programs.

The money was raised at regular game nights the group holds and from membership fees. The Eagle Lake Women's Group regularly donates to local charities and they have donated to the SIRCH hospice program in the past. This was the first time the money will go towards the children's programming to help the families that SIRCH helps.

The group has been creating beautiful quilts for the past 73 years and on an annual basis they raffle off a quilt. Last year they raised \$1600. They have already spent 300 hours working on their current quilt and 22 members make up the group. They come together once a month from September to June and always welcome new members. ■

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

GIRLFRIEND BALKS AT DINNER WITH BOTH SETS OF PARENTS

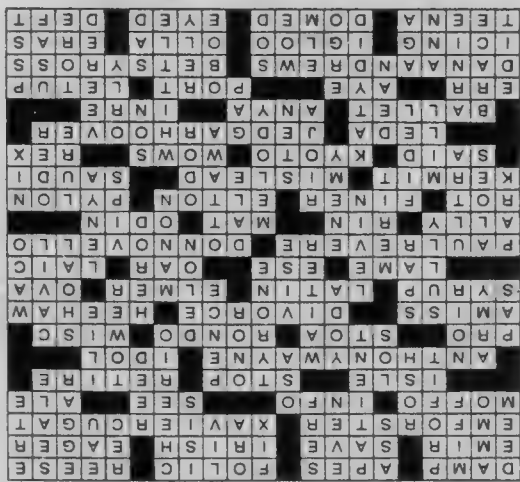
DEAR ABBY: I've been dating "Amanda" for eight months and everything is going great. I've met her parents, and she has met mine. Two days ago, I mentioned that we should plan a dinner with both sets of parents since they have not met yet. Amanda told me that our parents shouldn't meet until we move in together or are engaged. I felt offended. When do you think is the right time for our parents to meet? — IT'S ONLY DINNER!

DEAR ONLY DINNER: I disagree with your girlfriend. There are no hard and fast rules these days about when the parents of couples should meet. And after eight months, I would think both sets of parents would be interested in meeting each other.

DEAR ABBY: I have a close friend, "Darlene," whom I have known for 30 years. She has never once in all that time invited me into her home. Darlene never has anyone inside except for immediate family. If you go there to take her something, she greets you outside if she knows you're coming. If she doesn't, she won't answer the door. She goes to other people's homes but never reciprocates. In groups that go from house to house, she will not take her turn. Even when her mother-in-law died she wouldn't receive people in her home. I find Darlene's behavior insulting. It has become a frequent topic of conversation. I don't know what her home life was growing up, but her husband's family had an open-door policy in their home. Please advise me why someone would never welcome anyone into her home. — SHUT OUT IN CHARLOTTESVILLE

DEAR SHUT OUT: Darlene may be ashamed of the way her house looks inside, or she may be a hoarder. If you really need an explanation, you should be asking her. In light of your 30-year friendship, please stop personalizing this because it appears her hang-up is long-standing and deep-seated. And to gossip about it behind her back seems cruel and won't help the situation.

DEAR ABBY: I try to be positive and considerate of others. I believe if you smile at the world, it will smile back. The exception to that is my mother. Mom is the most negative person I have ever met. Nothing has ever been good enough for her — and now my sister is starting to behave just like her. If misery loves company, they can have each other. My kids dislike being around their grandmother and can see how upset she makes me when we talk on the phone. Abby, I'd like my mom to see her grandkids grow up, and much as I don't want to admit it, I need her support and guidance. How can I get Mom to see the brighter side of things? — UPBEAT IN OKLAHOMA



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Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of creating positive attitudes and making people feel good about themselves.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) An unexpected problem should be handled as quickly as possible so that it doesn't cause too much of a delay. Someone who knows what you're facing could provide needed advice.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unsettling situation seems to be taking forever to be resolved. Fortunately, your Bovine aptitude for patience is strong this week, so you'll be more than able to wait it out.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Taking a stand against an uncalled-for situation involving a friend or co-worker isn't easy, but somehow you'll rise to the challenge and do it. Rely on advice from someone you trust.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) There are still some questions on all sides that need to be dealt with in order to allow hurt feelings to heal. Get your workplace tasks done early so that you can devote more time to loved ones.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Consider a new spring makeover that will show all you Leos and Leonas in your best light. A new hairdo and some fashionable new clothes can help put a fresh glow on your image.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some stormy, emotional weather can blow up in the workplace when an irate co-worker has strong words for you. But if you believe right is on your side, you'll be able to ride it out.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Creating more balance in your life is especially important now so that you're not distracted when you get into projects that will make demands on both your physical and mental energies.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) As much as you enjoy being right when others are not, show your generous side by offering to use what you know to everyone's benefit. This way, you gain admirers and avoid resentment.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week for the Archer to aim at healing relationships. Whether it's at home, at work or among your friends, get everyone to set things straight and make a fresh start.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you like things done your way, this is a good time to listen to ideas from others. You might even find yourself agreeing with one or more of their suggestions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Aspects favor positive action to reclaim your ideas from someone who might want the glory without doing any of the work. Expect to find many people rallying to support you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel uneasy about taking that step forward at work or in your private life. But who knows better than you that while treading water keeps you afloat, it doesn't get you anywhere.

ISAAC ASIMOV'S SUPER QUIZ

Take this Isaac Asimov's Super Quiz to a Ph.D. Score 1 point for each correct answer on the Freshman Level, 2 points on the Graduate Level and 3 points on the Ph.D. Level.

- Answer _____
- PH.D. LEVEL
11. "Curb Your Enthusiasm": Larry _____
- Answer _____
12. "Donnie the CBS Page Who Likes to Suck Up": Andy _____
- Answer _____
13. "Hammerin' Hank": Hank _____
- Answer _____
14. "The voice of basketball": Marv _____
- Answer _____
15. George Costanza: Jason _____
- Answer _____

Subject: PEOPLE WITH FIRST NAMES AS SURNAMES Use the clue and the first name to identify the surname (a common first name). (e.g., "The Bambino": Babe _____ Answer: Babe Ruth.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. Treason: Benedict _____ Answer _____
2. "Candle in the Wind": Elton _____ Answer _____
3. Robert Ford: Jesse _____ Answer _____
4. Jamie Foxx: Ray _____ Answer _____
5. Maude Findlay: Bea _____ Answer _____

GRADUATE LEVEL

6. "Do not go gentle into that good night": Dylan _____ Answer _____
7. "Give me liberty, or give me death!": Patrick _____ Answer _____
8. "The Odd Couple": Neil _____ Answer _____
9. "The Shark": Greg _____ Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Arnold. 2. John. 3. James. 4. Charles. 5. Arthur. 6. Thomas. 7. Henry. 8. Simon. 9. Norman. 10. Bruce. 11. David. 12. Dick. 13. Aaron. 14. Albert. 15. Alexander.

SCORING: 24 to 30 points — congratulations, doctor; 18 to 23 points — honors graduate; 13 to 17 points — you're plenty smart, but no grind; 5 to 12 points — you really should hit the books harder. 1 point to 4 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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March 12, 2008.



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Haliburton Cyclists form new Cycling Club

At long last Haliburton cyclists will be forming a cycling club with a competition focus along with recreational opportunities.

The club's first organizational meeting will be held Wednesday, March 24th, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 11 of Fleming College's Haliburton Campus.

For years an informal network of local riders has met for regular group rides and to occasionally attend races, but a new generation of young riders has created a need for a club that is affiliated with the Ontario Cycling Association.

Rob Meyers, Dr. Mike Armstrong and Blake Paton are spearheading the effort to put together the club.

"We know that if we don't offer the opportunity, then kids won't develop their talents and may never adopt an active lifestyle," Armstrong said.

"This is a great area to ride, both for mountain biking and road biking, and the province has developed a great racing series for young riders, both on the road and on the trail," Meyers added.

Kids see adults on their bikes, and they want in, they want to be a part of the cycling culture. This project began when a young fellow named Ryan van Lieshout noticed the traditional Sunday morning road group ride and insisted on coming out to find out what it's about. He kept coming out and increased his mileage

and by last season he was easily riding 30km at a good pace.

"Last year we could tell that it was time to move forward, so I took two riders to a few races in the road series, and it was a great learning opportunity," Paton said.

"As it turns out, we had some success, too. My daughter, Betty, took third place in the provincial point standings, and Ryan had some good races and learned lots. All that came together by itself, so what could happen if we planned out a season? So this year we're going to do it right and plan a season of training and racing for the developing riders. So we'll pick the events, choose a jersey design and make a commitment to do our best."

Adult riders are welcome, too. Besides the youth opportunities, the club will also be a place for keen riders to meet and arrange training rides. There are lots of cyclists who don't necessarily want to compete, but who want to try a tour like the Tour for Kids or the Ride to Conquer Cancer, and they need group-riding experience.

The first meeting will be held to gauge the interest of the cycling community. Cyclists of all varieties are welcome, but the club will focus on road and mountain biking in its first year.

"Ultimately, the activities of the club will be defined by cyclists who come out to participate and be a part of it. We're building from the ground up and we want to start with a good foundation," Meyers added.

The club will also gratefully accept donations of cash or equipment to channel into the youth programs it intends to build.

Those who are interested in building a more extensive network of mountain biking trails are also encouraged to attend. Youth riders should attend with a parent, if possible.

For more information contact Blake Paton at 457-5177 or Rob Meyers at 457-3815. ■

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Water Management Advisory Council Appointed for Trent-Severn Waterway

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

As part of their official action plan for the future of the Trent-Severn Waterway announced early last fall, the federal government has announced the creation of a new Trent-Severn Water Management Advisory Council. Along with representatives from a number of government based organizations and a soon to be confirmed First Nations representative from within the watershed, the eight member Advisory Council includes two representatives from Haliburton County; Keith Hodgson and Chris Riddle.

Chris Riddle is a local cottager and an active executive member of the Kennis Lake Cottage Owners Association. He Co-chairs the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow and took an active role during the panel discussions that led up to the establishment of a report on the future of the Trent-Severn Waterway and the government's official response to that report.

Keith Hodgson is a Haliburton logger and long time naturalist and outdoorsman who has been instrumental over the years in establishing the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. He is the son of the late Glen Hodgson, area MPP during the 1960's and 70's and is a devoted hunter, fisherman and environmentalist.

Speaking about the panel members, Minister Jim Prentice said "It is a pleasure to welcome these dedicated individuals representing a range of organizations with an interest in water management to participate in developing a shared vision for a balanced approach to water management."

The Water Management Advisory Council will provide expert and stakeholder advice to Parks Canada on how to better carry out its responsibilities for water management through the Trent and Severn River watersheds. Riddle and Hodgson will be called upon to review water management policies, provide advice on issues and help to develop a shared vision for a balanced approach in managing the two watersheds. According to Minister Prentice, over the next two years the council is expected to contribute to a more transparent decision-making process regarding water allocation decisions.

Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Brock MP Barry Devolin said, "The creation of the Water Management Advisory Council serves as another tangible expression of the government's action plan for the Trent-Severn Waterway." Devolin extended his appreciation to all of the members of the Council for contributing their time and perspectives as volunteers in what he considers to be very important work.

Hodgson, who has considerable experience with lake trout fisheries on the reservoir lakes, suggested that the government had sought him out to provide an angler/hunter perspective. He said that the Council appeared to be a very dynamic group that would offer broad representation.

Hodgson said that during their session a consulting contract worth \$600,000 had been awarded to AECOM Canada Ltd. to do a needs study for the TSW. "Basically they will look at necessary improvements for the entire system; the effectiveness of the locks, water flow and bottlenecks that create flooding. There will be a much more technical perspective than work done in the past; it will be more to do with the motor of the system and making it work more efficiently from one end to the other."

Hodgson says he hopes to raise awareness about the importance of fisheries in the reservoir lakes and how they are affected by high and low water levels. "I don't think that a lot of cottagers in the area fully understand exactly where the water goes. From time to time people buy cottages without

realizing that their entire bay could be empty in the fall. They need some water all the time and education about that is a good start for everyone."

Referring to his involvement in the fish hatchery since 1992, Hodgson said that he hoped his input would enhance education on the effects of dramatic reductions in water levels, what the results are on the fisheries and how important that will be for the area.

He has some ideas on education that are being well received by other members to establish a best practice code for reservoir lakes and shoreline protection. He also said that if anyone had a genuine concern that hadn't been heard during the public debates he would take it forward to the committee. "I will always have time to pass on people's concerns."

Hodgson said that while the Board might be a bit limited given their strictly advisory role, there was a lot of knowledge in the members, and while he felt he was the low man on the totem pole he would be able to help given his intimate knowledge of the county from one end to the other. He said, "It's not easy to make the system work, but they have clear goals and objectives now, the first of which is safety, then the environment and finally the operation of the canal."

"Their whole system is crumbling and it needs a lot of infrastructure replacement. They've been successful with some repairs but they are way behind in maintaining safe structures. The federal government has a real hard garden to hoe to make everything safe. They've done a lot of work, but haven't made enough gains."

Hodgson also spoke about the challenges of dealing with vastly differing objectives, the permitting system along the length of the system and how that affects the annual use of water. He said, "There are 2400 permits to take water along the length of the Trent and the Ministry of Environment looks at them on an individual basis rather than from an overall perspective. Collectively there is a huge impact and all that needs to be reviewed. At the other end of the spectrum are the impacts of spring runoff. You can only put so much water through the system without creating flooding." Hodgson voiced concern about the availability of funding to conduct much needed reviews.

According to Hodgson, even though TSW engineers have to make quick decisions that can have considerable impact, they are doing an excellent job. "They don't have the money to educate or speak with all of the lake associations, but if people understood the system better they might accept a moderate drop in their lake."

Hodgson touched on the panel's recommendation for an independent water management agency rather than the system being operated by Parks Canada. He said, "The TSW has some very knowledgeable engineers working on the system and I don't know if a board could run the system. It would be like having a team of people trying to drive a car when you have Jacques Villeneuve at the wheel."

"It's a matter of public relations and alternatives, being able to mitigate water coming out of the reservoir lakes, seeing how detrimental dramatic reductions can be to the fisheries and the environment and ensuring that shorelines and docks aren't damaged. The actual operation of the canal should be done by those who have operated it daily and have stayed off emergencies. A management board could complicate things too much."

Chris Riddle attributed his appointment to the Council to his experience and liaison as a leading member of the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow with the TSW, but said that having someone else join him in representing the reservoir lake region with a broad knowledge of the area was very helpful.

According to Riddle the Council met informally about a month ago to allow introductions and to get an initial handle on the process. The first formal meeting took place last Tuesday and took the form of an in depth briefing to bring individual members up to speed on what TSW does and how broad their mandate is and to consider the complexities of handling water management.

"The Council's mandate will be limited to the water management program. Meanwhile, Parks Canada will be talking to others about issues like tourism and heritage."

Riddle said it was too early to know exactly how the Council's role would unfold particularly as the current TSW Superintendent Peter Frood will be retiring later this month. In addition, there is an interim chair as the person initially identified as the chair has decided he could not continue.

"The real meat of what the Council will do won't start until the next meeting and there is a bit of uncertainty in terms of direction with no real chair to take control and communicate to the Council, Parks Canada and the public."

Riddle agreed with Hodgson that there were a lot of positives when looking at a group with such an excellent range of expertise, knowledge and diversity of experience and interest. "It is my hope that if we use that knowledge to develop a consensus and some robust advice, Parks Canada will accept it and take appropriate action."

Riddle admitted it would take some time for the group to get to the point of making recommendations, but building on the work of the panel, the panel report and all of the background reports would all be excellent fodder for the Council.

"The key thing for the Council is to identify their priority areas and I think that will happen in short order."

"Two other parallel things are happening that will have a significant influence on what the Council will do. First Parks Canada has started a review of their water management model." He referred to the consultant engaged to submit a report in the coming year from a technical perspective on the model TSW is using now. "The council will be meeting and interacting with them and it will be very interested to see what they come up with."

The second thing is the federal government's plan to develop a memorandum of understanding with the province. There have been indications that the province is taking its time because the MOU will cover a number of different issues with different ministries."

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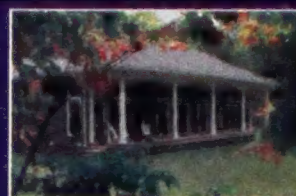
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This spring, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is providing free Pap tests for women in Northumberland County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes who do not have a physician. The tests will be provided at the Health Unit's sexual health clinics in Lindsay, Fenelon Falls, Cobourg, Port Hope, Brighton and Haliburton. To book an appointment for a Pap test with a female nurse in their community, women can call the Health Unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 205.

Local women who have a health care provider are also encouraged to book a regular Pap test. Any woman who is or has ever been sexually active should get one, says a local nurse.

"A regular Pap test is important for protecting a woman's health because it is an effective screening tool for cancer," says Denise Smith, a Sexual Health Nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit.

A Pap test can find abnormal cells in a woman's cervix before they turn into cancer. If cervical cancer is detected, it can be treated effectively and immediately, Smith adds. "Cervical cancer is preventable, and that is why women should be screened," she notes. "Pap tests save lives...it's that simple."

According to Cancer Care Ontario, approximately 10 women in Ontario are diagnosed with cervical cancer each week, while three women will die in that time span. According to a Health Unit report, cervical cancer is the eighth most commonly diagnosed cancer among women in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Smith advises women to get a Pap test every year until they have three consecutive normal tests. If this occurs, cervical screening can then be done every two or three years. Women over age 70 should consult with a health-care provider to see if they still need Pap tests, she adds. ■

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Riddle said that at this point he was only reading between the lines when it came to the intricacies of establishing the MOU, but confirmed that there would be no political representation or involvement in the activities of the Advisory Council.

As an aside, Riddle said he was very pleased to see Haliburton County include a clear and significant focus on shoreline vegetation and protection and tree cutting in their Official Plan as the first line of defence to protect the quality of water and the cascading affect those changes had in seeing similar changes being made at the municipal level.

He spoke of his experience in working on the development of the Kennisis Lake Plan. "I realized that most people want to do the right thing but they sometimes don't know exactly what that is. Two thirds of our recommendations were soft, related to stewardship, education, communications and group volunteer action. If there is momentum it will be toward things that would mean less regulatory action. No one wants rules for a recreational property area and we're trying to escape from that. It's more a matter of sharing and education.

It's not so much the product but the process and lake planning says that in spades."

Riddle voiced some frustration with the fact that, during discussions about the canal, the reservoir lakes are often an afterthought. "It is easy to forget where the water comes from and the impact on people from the reservoir lakes region, so having a couple of people from Haliburton is great. We can help to educate our own people and the TSW as well." ■

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Yolande E. Chan, Ph.D.
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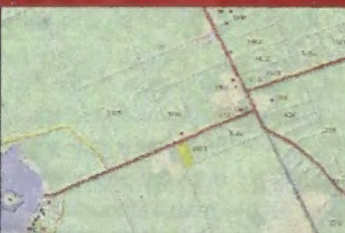
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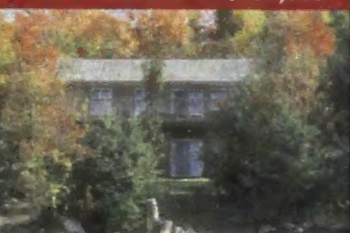
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DAVIS LAKE - \$299,000



4 bedroom fully winterized cottage with large open concept living/kitchen/dining room with hardwood floors. New shingles, water pump and hot water heater. Cottage reno 8 years ago included insulation, new windows and new pier foundation. Large deck, hard packed sandy shoreline. Davis Lake cottage assoc. annual dues of \$125 covers winter snow removal, road repair plus use of water ski course and association-owned skis and wakeboards.
Daine Knapp* 488-3077

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Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234 ex. 223 or 457-5878

CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD - \$154,900



Large acreage with large beaver pond. This property has right of way off Galway rd with well maintained roadway to beaver pond and licenced gravel pit with great variety wildlife nesting blue heron beaver moose deer ect 10 minutes from Kinmount

Peter Franzen* 286-1234 ex. 222

SAMS LAKE - \$430,000



What a great place to build your dream home or cottage - boat into Minden or into prestigious Gull Lake. Nice sandy shoreline for swimming - hydro & bell available at the lot line. Call for more info today!

Hal Johnston* 286-1234 ex. 229

BURNT RIVER \$169,500



2 bdrm cottage on 150 ft waterfront lot. Pine tree covered driveway, with a variety of indigenous trees surrounding the property. Charming & spacious cottage - many upgrades - new laminate flooring & updated sunroom, outdoor patio, a new woodstove WETT-Certified and roof in 2006. A cozy Bunkie for guests and large garden shed. The property also includes a delightful outdoor shower that is a big hit. Near town of Burnt River, only 10 min to Cobocok and 20 min to Fenelon Falls.
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